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SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF SHRIMPBOAT VATICAN

ACCORDING TO TEXAS SHRIMP ASSOCIATION, US SHRIMP TRAWLER VATICAN HAS BEEN SEIZED BY MEXICAN NAVAL VESSEL AND IS BEING TAKEN IN, PROBABLY TO TAMPICO BUT POSSIBLY TUXPAN. SOME UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS SEIZURE HAVE VATICAN'S OWNER AND ASSOCIATION MORE THAN USUALLY UPSET. REPORTEDLY PATROL CRAFT STOPPED VATICAN MORNING OF FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, AND WHEN VATICAN SKIPPER PROTESTED THAT HE WAS OUTSIDE 12 MILE LIMIT, PATROL COMMANDER AGREED BOTH VESSELS WOULD ANCHOR ON SPOT AND AWAIT US COAST GUARD PLANE WHICH WOULD VERIFY POSITION. ACCORDING TO ASSOCIATION, WHEN COAST GUARD PLANE ARRIVED, TOOK FIX AND INFORMED MEXICAN PATROL THAT LOCATION OF ANCHORAGE WAS OVER 13 MILES OFFSHORE, PATROL COMMANDER INFORMED VATICAN SKIPPER THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO GO IN TO PORT ANYWAY AS HE HAD BEEN SEEN FISHING CLOSER TO SHORE. REACTION OF VATICAN OWNER TO THIS STRANGE BEHAVIOR IS THAT MEXICAN PATROL RENEGED ON UNDERSTANDING THAT COAST GUARD'S FINDINGS WOULD GOVERN DISPOSITION OF INCIDENT. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY CLARIFICATION EMBASSY CAN OBTAIN FROM UNCLASSIFIED

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